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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
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Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 CFR § 1.56, the attached form and documents indicate information of which the applicant has recently become aware and which may be relevant to the above-identified application.

The additional information is in the form of references, which were cited in a communication dated March 13, 2009 from the Chinese Patent Office, as a foreign counterpart to the present application.

A copy of the Chinese Patent Office communication (not translated) is attached herewith as non-prior art literature, together with copies of the references cited therein. The fact that this information was cited in a counterpart foreign application, together with these submissions, satisfies the

requirement for a concise statement of relevance as indicated in the Manual of Patent Examining Procedure.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted after payment of the issue fee. Consideration of this information is not requested. The application requests only that this information be made of record in the present application as evidence of compliance with the applicant's ongoing duty of disclosure.

Since consideration is not requested, no fees are due. Notwithstanding, any fees that may be considered due in connection with this or any accompanying communication may be charged to the attorney's Deposit Account No. 07-2519.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Paul A. Guss', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

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